

## **REMARKS**

**[0002]** Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims of the application. The status of the claims is as follows:

- Claims 1, 4-8, 10-14, 16, 17, and 19-25 are currently pending
- Claims 1, 4-7, 17, and 23 are amended herein

**[0003]** Support for the amendments to the claims is found in the specification at least at page 44, line 23 through page 46, line 23.

## **Cited Documents**

**[0004]** The following documents have been applied to reject one or more claims of the Application:

- Smith: Smith et al, U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0028685
- Stoakley: Stoakley et al, U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0045961
- Lakshminarayanan: Lakshminarayanan, "The .NET Schema Object Model," retrieved at <<<http://www.xml.com/1pt/a/1074>>> on 10/21/2007, O'Reilly Media, Inc., December 4, 2002
- Powers: Powers, et al., "Visual Basic® Programmer's Guide to the .NET Framework Class Library," Sams, January 2, 2002
- Rubin: Rubin et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,862,379

**Claims 1, 4-8, 10-14, 16, 17, and 19-25 Are Non-Obvious Over Smith in view of Stoakley, Lakshminarayanan, Powers, and further in view of Rubin**

**[0005]** Claims 1, 4-8, 10-14, 16, 17, and 19-25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Smith in view of Stoakley, Lakshminarayanan, Powers, and further in view of Rubin.

**Independent Claim 1**

**[0006]** In light of the amendments presented herein, Applicant submits that the rejection of independent claim 1 is moot. Specifically, the cited references do not teach or suggest at least the claimed:

... providing a plurality of media classes using a fifth group of services, the media classes enabling image effects to be applied to portions of images and coordinating a set of animations with a set of timelines;

providing classes using a sixth group of services that enable editing of forms and text, formatting data, and cross-process data sharing;

instantiating an input manager using a seventh group of services, the input manager coordinating inputs received by the system;

providing a set of classes and services using an eighth group of services that allow building of applications with navigation paradigms;

providing a set of classes using a ninth group of services that support accessibility and user interface automation;

providing a parser using a tenth group of services that can load or save a hierarchy of objects from or to an XML or binary file and set properties associated with objects and event handlers;

providing a set of classes using an eleventh group of services that enable interoperability with other operating systems or computer platforms;

providing an element using a twelfth group of services that allows an application to host a form control operation...

**[0007]** The new recitations of amended claim 1 have not been recited in any previous version of the claims and thus have not been rejected by the Examiner. Applicant has diligently reviewed the cited references and cannot find any teaching or suggestion of the new recitations. Accordingly, at least by virtue of the addition of the new recitations, the rejection of claim 1 is overcome. Consequently, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of this claim be withdrawn.

**Independent Claims 17 and 23**

**[0008]** Claims 17 and 23 include recitations similar to those discussed above with regard to claim 1. Accordingly, claims 17 and 23 are patentable over the cited references for at least the same reasons.

**Dependent Claims 4-8, 10-14, 16, 19-22, 24, and 25**

**[0009]** Claims 4-8, 10-14, 16, 19-22, 24, and 25 ultimately depend from one of respective independent claims 1, 17, and 23. As discussed above, claims 1, 17, and 23 are patentable over the cited documents. Therefore, claims 4-8, 10-14, 16, 19-22, 24,

and 25 are also patentable over the cited documents of record for at least their dependency from a patentable base claim. These claims may also be patentable for the additional features that each recites.

## **Conclusion**

**[0010]** If any issues remain that would prevent allowance of this application,  
**Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned representative before issuing a subsequent Action.**

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